

MIAMI-DADE VOTING PRECINCTS HAVE CHANGED

In order to enhance voter convenience on Election Day, the County has made some significant changes that may affect where you vote during the next election.

Every Election Day, Americans are given a chance to have a say in what happens in their government. Not only is it a worthwhile endeavor to take part in a process that shapes this great nation of ours, it's every citizen's civic duty. As your local government, it's Miami-Dade County's duty to provide you with the means of casting your vote—and it's a duty that we take very seriously.

That's why after listening to the public and local political leaders, as well as weighing all the options, the decision was made to redraw Miami-Dade County voting precincts for the Aug. 26 and Nov. 4 elections.

Commonly referred to as "reprecincting," this process is undertaken to ensure precinct lines are efficiently and effectively drawn to make sure our community's changing electoral needs are met. Here's the shortlist of how reprecincting will affect voters during the next election...

The Miami-Dade Elections Department will be notifying all 170,000 affected voters by mail prior to the Aug. 26 Primary Election. In addition, as other important election information becomes available, voters will be able to find it conveniently at www.miamidade.gov/elections.

If you're planning to vote on Election Day, make sure you know where to vote. You may also want to consider Early Voting or Absentee Voting. Voting has never been easier or more convenient. And remember, if you have any questions call 3-1-1.

As your local government, we're here to serve you and help you... Be informed. Be involved. Be election ready!

Some voters will be voting at a new polling place.

Some voters will be voting at the same polling place, but will be assigned to a new voting precinct.

Approximately 70,000 voters will be moving.

Approximately 100,000 voters will vote at the same location, but under a different precinct number.

Wait times of less than an hour is the goal for this year.

The number of polling places has increased.

By realizing efficiencies, the County has been able to better ensure that polling places are an adequate size for the number of voters that must be accommodated.

Before reprecincting, there were 829 precincts (1,048 including split precincts) and 541 polling places. After reprecincting, there will be 812 precincts and 656 polling places. This ensures a better distribution of voters.

Conveniences gained through reprecincting will continue to be maintained.

In order to make it work, reprecincting has to be done consistently. So Miami-Dade County is instituting the routine review and redrawing of voting precincts to align with annexations, incorporations, and population shifts and growth.



EXTRA! EXTRA!

Due to popular demand, Miami-Dade County has redrawn voting precincts in time for upcoming elections.